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AMENDMENT-B

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated 27 March 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend claims the paragraph at page 5, line 25 - page 6, line 4 as shown on the attached sheets, including a replacement sheet with a clean copy of the amended paragraph, and a sheet showing the changes to the paragraph with brackets and underlining.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 8, 9 and 14 as shown on the attached sheets, including a replacement sheet with clean copies of the amended claims, and a sheet showing the changes to 06/19/2002 where the company of the changes add new claims 15-20 as shown on the attached sheets.

REMARKS

Initially, applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the helpful and courteous personal interview he conducted with applicant's representative, William Blackman, on April 19,